

# On Call

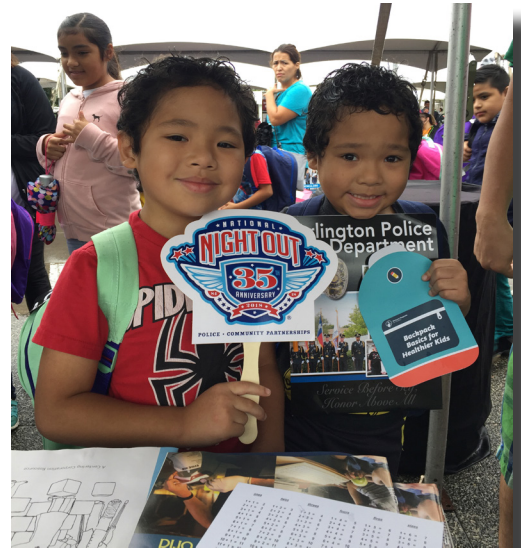
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## Arlington Goes Back To School

There were plenty of great back to school events this summer!

The AISD Back-to-School Kickoff helped thousands of Arlington ISD students and their families get needed supplies and resources to be ready for the 2018-2019 academic year.

At the AISD Back-to-School Kickoff on Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> at AT&T Stadium, pre-registered students were given backpacks filled with school supplies appropriate to their grade level, as well as the opportunity to visit a variety of resource booths. Booths included an immunization station, vision checks, eyeglass fittings, and information on after-school care programs. Additionally, attendees saw appearances by Dallas Cowboys mascot Rowdy and former Dallas Cowboys players.



Arlington Clergy and Police Partnership (ACAPP) also organized its annual “Lift up a Child’s Future” initiative. Patrol officers and the Victims’ Services Unit provided names of families that needed help in getting school clothes for their children. The families were contacted, then met with Officer Kimberly Fretwell and ACAPP on Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at the South Cooper Walmart to shop. Walmart always gives the ACAPP organization a donation to help stretch money further. This year, ACAPP was able to help over 20 kids get the clothes and shoes they needed! *(continued on page 2)*





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Another awesome event was “Seasons of Change,” which is a non-profit organization focused on providing at-risk youth with the knowledge and skills needed to make healthy life choices to become self-sufficient individuals. This organization hosted a back to school summit on August 18<sup>th</sup> at their headquarters at 1008 W. Main St. They had several vendors and provided youth with backpacks and school supplies. Sgt. Chris Moore and Officer Vincent Vasquez participated, representing team APD.

Thanks to everyone that continues to make a difference!

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## Back-To-School Giving Continues

The South District was invited to participate in JCPenny’s back-to-school event at the Arlington Parks Mall. Many donations for school supplies and backpacks were received to help local children get ready for a successful school year.

The Arlington Fire Department was in attendance to answer kids’ questions and see a fire truck. The highlight of the back to school event was the Arlington Police Department’s Mounted Patrol Unit. There was so much excitement from both children and adults. Everyone was ecstatic to have the opportunity to pet a horse and talk to police officers about the horses they were riding.



This event is a shining example of the community we have in Arlington. Through the partnerships between JCPenny, The Parks Mall, Arlington Fire Department and the Arlington Police Department, everyone worked together to make sure this day was a success for area children and our community.

## APD's Crime Prevention Unit Hires New Community Services Coordinator



Recently, Arlington Police Department (APD) hired Victoria Johnson as its new Community Services Coordinator. Victoria previously worked in APD's Warrant Unit. As part of her duties, Victoria holds training classes for APD's various citizen volunteer programs, manages APD's annual National Night Out program, and develops social media content for the Crime Prevention Unit.

"This role provides me the opportunity to connect with the citizens of Arlington and highlight the great things APD is doing in the community," Victoria said.

If you're interested in being a volunteer in one of APD's community service programs like the [Citizens on Patrol](#), [Citizens on Patrol Mobile](#) or [Dog Walker Watch](#), please contact Victoria at (817) 459-5732 or send her an email at [victoria.johnson@arlingtontx.gov](mailto:victoria.johnson@arlingtontx.gov).

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## Turn On Your Lights, Lock Your Doors And Join Your Neighbors!



National Night Out is a celebration of community and police partnerships in crime prevention.

Be sure to register your National Night Out party [here](#).

For more information visit [Arlington National Night Out](#)



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